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Their families tore them apart. Can their baby bring them back together?

For more than a year, Byron Beaumont has tried to get over Leona Harper. Not even living overseas could erase the memory of their affair...or her betrayal. Her family has been out to destroy his for decades, and despite Byron trusting her, making love to her, Leona kept her identity hidden. Now that Byron is back--as her new employer--he wants answers.

But what he gets is another surprise. Leona has given birth to his son. He'll do what it takes to care for his family, even if it means spending days--and nights--wanting the one woman he can't have...

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Joan Mitchell says

An excellent modern day romance story. Both characters are rich, both have parental issues and both think they can't trust the other. I reccomend this book to anyone who likes romance novels. I received this book from Goodreads for free.

Mary Carlisle says

Needs A Re-write and my money refunded

This story was so poorly written and put together. The characters just kept on with all this distrust between them FOR THE WHOLE BOOK. I am sorry I wasted my money buying this book.

Eileen says

I'm sorry but I couldn't stop my MAD when I read this book because I was really hoping it would get better. It didn't. It concluded nicely with the two main characters FINALLY speaking to the other and telling the truth but by then I was over these two people.

I saw where the author was trying to bring together two people, who's families are sworn enemies, and solve their differences or rise above the feuding. This was a second chance love story but no one could move past the hurt from a year ago. I can't imagine reuniting with my ex-lover without getting to the bottom of things before I ever slept with him! Her father being a manipulative SOB pretty much pushed these two together because he was a bit over the top and the couple finally confront each other.

I liked this series and I will let this slide so I can read the next one in the series. It is disappointing when I can't like the characters because they are behaving stupidly, in my opinion.

Karen Grage says

I really liked this one... up until the end. This story had a lot of potential and really didn't deserve the current trend of 'big crisis occurs and is solved in the last 10 pages.' I think I'll be rewriting the ending for these characters in my head.

Mary says

This is another great look into the lives of the Beaumont Heirs. Byron Beaumont has always wanted to be a successful chef with his own restaurant. He's been in Europe for the past year working toward that goal, but what few people know is that he left Denver because of a broken heart. He felt completely betrayed when he found out that his girlfriend was the daughter of his family's greatest enemy. Unable to process the betrayal,

he left town quick.

Too quick, it turns out, because Leona Harper was pregnant with his child and was hoping to start a life with Byron. Unable to count on Byron, and thoroughly disgusted with her father, Leona struck out on her own. She's spent the last year having a baby, getting a job at an interior design firm, and helping her sister get out from under her father's control. She never told Byron about the baby for fear he and his family would take little Percy from her.

Now Byron is back in town and his family wants him to open a new restaurant in the Beaumont Brewery building. The building is quite a mess and, of course, will need a complete design makeover. Byron thinks this is a great opportunity to hire Leona for the job and prove that he is over her. Leona definitely needs the job, but this situation has disaster written all over it! Can they work together and not BE together? How can she tell Byron about the baby? Will their families keep them apart?

This story has plenty of angst. The hero and heroine have deep trust issues and can't seem to forgive each other for the mistakes of the past. I liked getting a little more insight into the Beaumont family history with Byron's memories of his childhood. And Leon Harper provides a good shot of venom as the evil villain. For a change, Hardwick Beaumont wasn't the worst guy in the story!

Lesley says

3.5 stars. This was a good continuation of the Beaumont series. I enjoyed the second chance reunion of Leona and Byron and their rekindled romance.

I do wish the book had focused on their moving forward a little more. I felt like their past and issues were rehashed way too many times. The ending felt rushed to me and I found myself wishing for an epilogue to see how things ended up.

Thanks to Goodreads as I won this book as part of a First Reads giveaway.

Harlequin Books says

"A tender romance skillfully written to showcase the power of love and family, solid characters explore the importance of trust and the passion involved in fighting for what matters most" (RT Book Reviews, 4 stars).

Miniseries: The Beaumont Heirs

Marsha says

Secrets permeate this book, leading to a lot of misunderstandings. I found myself doing a slow burn at the deliberate obtuseness of Byron Beaumont. A man who turns to cooking to soothe his feelings is a different kind of male protagonist and I found myself liking him in the beginning. But his constant needling of his supposed love interest was grating in the extreme.

He kept accusing her of lying, which is the telling of deliberate untruths. But Leona never lied to him, only kept her background hidden. Fool for love that he is, he never really did any digging because he was so besotted with her (or rather let the little head do the thinking for the big head). It seems as if it would have been ridiculously easy for him to connect the dots. After all, her name is only one vowel away from Leon Harper, the nemesis of the Beaumonts. How could he not figure out who she was?!

She also never lied about being pregnant or having Byron's baby. How could she, when she never told him about it in the first place?

Leona is afraid that Byron will turn out to be like his father, an autocratic, dictatorial womanizer and serial husband. Mr. Beaumont, Sr. had the ugly habit of tiring of his wives, divorcing them and keeping the children for himself...a habit shared by Leona's own father. Byron's constant loss of temper doesn't help the situation. Leona claims, quite rightly, that she won't have him around her baby when his moods swing from sullen anger over her perceived untruthfulness to loving daddy. I get her point.

So when she agrees to marry him, I was ready to tear out my hair. Even near the end of the novel, he insists on her telling him the truth. How, exactly, is she or anyone to guarantee complete and constant honesty? Should she take a blood oath? Such a man would be impossible to live with; he would torment a wife constantly.

However, I really prized the moments when Leona is working on decorating and designing Byron's restaurant and when she finally stands up to her own cold-blooded, hostile father. I also liked reading about Byron's cooking and his determined care of his son. Those moments meant a lot more to me than the sex or furious arguments. Kinda depressing, when you think about it.

Melody Cox says

In my opinion this is not a good book. I will leave a full review shortly.

Lynn Brooks says

I really enjoyed this continuation of the Beaumont Heirs Series!

Byron Beaumont has returned to Denver after living in various parts of France and Spain for more than a year. His brother's want him to open a restaurant to go along with the new brewery they have opened. He's hesitant, but decides to do it. He can't help remembering plans that he and his former girlfriend Leona Harper had dreamed of about her designing the restaurant he wanted to open one day, so he tracks down the firm she's working for and arranges for her to work with him from the ground floor of designing this restaurant.

Leona Harper can't help having her breath taken away when she sees the man she loves again, but she's also terrified he'll learn her secret before she's had a chance to tell him. They have an almost 6 month old son that he knows nothing about.

Bitter family feuding led Leona to not tell him who her father was when they were dating. When her father

came in and destroyed his family's business and led him to believe Leona had been in on it over a year ago, he believed she had been deceiving him and conspiring with her father, so he left town without bothering to hear her side of the story. While he felt she had left him to be her father's crony, she believed that Byron had abandoned her because she had not gone with her father willingly. Once she had gotten all of her things and left her father's house with her little sister, she tried to contact him, but his phone was disconnect and he was gone.

Will they be able to get this mess straightened out and be a family for their son? When her father comes back into the picture making threats again, will they stand behind each other against him or will she bend to his dictating again? Can Byron forgive her for not telling him about Percy? And can she forgive him and learn to trust that he won't up and leave again?

Jessica says

Received this in a giveaway by Ms. Sarah Anderson.
Thank you for this story!

I don't like comparing books that I read, I like to think that each author has their own imagination and creativity.

Now to the book, I really really enjoyed it! Although the two characters could have solved their problems by just telling each other how they felt. It was an emotion filled, angst-filled short little story and I didn't want to stop reading it because it felt like the characters would just be able to trust each other and then the other would do something to hinder it.

Little Percy sounds so adorable as well, I'm a sucker babies :)

To my understanding this book was about misunderstandings. Love torn apart because family issues, sort of Romeo and Juliet themed.

I haven't read the first three books so I'm not sure if the beginning of Leona and Byron's relationship is fully mentioned in another book, but it would have been nice to have all those details that let them up to this point, it is mentioned in this book with flashbacks but not fully in detail.

I think another hundred pages of this story and I would have been able to give this book a 5 star, but Harlequin's are usually short right? and there's enough of a great and loving story so my last words are:
Thank you Ms. Anderson for sharing this book to the world, it was very touching to the heart :)

Susan says

Good book. Byron was always a little out of step with the rest of his family. He didn't want anything to do with the brewery business, he wanted to be a chef. He finally got his wish and was working at a Denver restaurant when he met Leona. They hit it off immediately, and spent a lot of time sharing their dreams for the future. Then Byron discovered that Leona was the daughter of his family's worse enemy and felt betrayed. Rather than sticking around, he left to work in Europe and has been gone for a year. His brothers called him back and asked him to build restaurant to go with the brewery, one that he will have full control of. He has decided to hire Leona to design it - as a way to show her that he is over her, and to get answers about why she did it.

Leona had been in love with Byron and disgusted with her father. She was trying to get away from him, which is why she was working in the restaurant. Her father's actions the day she discovered she was pregnant were the last straw. But before she was even able to tell Byron about the baby, he was gone, with no contact. She knows she should have told him about the baby, but she was afraid of the Beaumont reputation with children, so she didn't. Now that he is back, she knows she has to tell him.

Though Byron is angry about it, he doesn't immediately threaten to take the baby away. I liked the way that he was determined to protect Leona and Percy. When he finds out the threats that her father has made against her, Byron decides that marriage is the best way to stop him. All he has to do is convince Leona.

I loved seeing the relationship rekindle between them. Even though they had been apart a year, the chemistry was still strong. They also still had their dreams in common. I loved seeing how the plans for the restaurant went so smoothly. The problem that they had was one of being able to trust each other again. Byron couldn't be certain that Leona wasn't going to side with her father, and that made him hold part of himself back from her. Leona was constantly afraid that Byron would abandon her again, and this time take Percy with him. It took another run in with her father for them to actually talk to each other and share their fears. Once they had done that, they could finally look to the future.

I did feel that their confrontation with her father was left slightly unresolved. They have their intentions to stand against him, but I'd have liked to see how they do it. There's another book in the series, so maybe there will be a bit more included there.

Geraldine Sadiku says

A second chance romance that flows easily. Each of the characters have made mistakes but find that they have a very strong bond when they work together and start accepting their own flaws. Loved this one.

Marjorie says

I have always liked Sarah M. Anderson's books, but this one left me bleh. Byron Beaumont and Leona Harper just did not engage me as great characters. I recommend Sarah for using the secret baby trope.

Aspen says

I just won this from a giveaway and can't wait to get started on it once it arrives!

This was a good and easy read. I would recommend this to anyone looking for a quick and lighthearted story to enjoy. It didn't go into as much depth with the rest of the family as I would have liked but you do get to know some key family members better. What I didn't like was that instead of developing Leona's father into a believable controlling father Anderson sort have made him into an inhuman monster with no real genuine emotion. I would have liked more depth given to the characters but when you only have a little less than 200 pages it gets hard and you are lucky to just finish the story with no loose ends hanging. All in all, an enjoyable read. Thank you so much for the giveaway so that I had the opportunity to enjoy this story.

